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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applic. No. : 10/718,778 Confirmation No: 1585  
Applicant : Ulrich Abeler  
Filed : November 21, 2003  
Art Unit : 3676  
Examiner : Lloyd A. Gall  
Title : Apparatus for Indicating a Closure State of a Lock  
Docket No. : WTS-8374  
Customer No. : 24131

**PETITION UNDER 37 CFR 1.55(a)**

Commissioner for Patents,  
P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450  
Sir:

The Issue Fee in the instant application was paid on September 14, 2005.  
Undersigned counsel has now received the enclosed priority document.

Applicant herewith petitions that the German priority document 101 26 526.3  
dated May 30, 2001 be entered of record in the instant application.

Claim for priority is herewith made.

The petition fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) in the amount of \$130.00 is enclosed  
herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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